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## LOG STAFF RECEIVES HIGH AWARD

### Rehearsals for Annual Sprague Minstrel to Start October 31st

Yes folks, the Annual Sprague Minstrel and Benefit Show will be held this fall, as usual!

Despite many obstacles which have confronted the Standing Committee of the Sprague Minstrel Show, they tell us the show will go on as it has for the past seven years. The Committee met last Monday evening, October 22nd, to iron out a few remaining details before making this announcement. The Sprague cast will hit the boards again in early December.

#### Eighth Performance

This will be the eighth performance of this widely known all-Sprague talent event. The Committee promises a show, tuneful and of high calibre. They are glad to welcome two new members to their staff—Mary Mathews and Kit Carson. The other members are those who have given such loyal service in the past—Etta Owen, Chairman, Frances Partenope, Kay Corsi, Mary Fachini, Jimmy Fitzgerald, Fred Windover, Larry Haskins, Roy and Charlotte Trottier. They announce that they have obtained the services of Mrs. Pauline Hobson as pianist.

#### APPEAL FOR TALENT

Again, the Committee is calling for volunteers to help in this tuneful production. Do you sing? Fine! Come add your voice to swell the chorus. We will need some fifty or more voices. How about giving a solo? The Committee is always interested in new talent for special numbers.



## NATIONAL RADIO WEEK

Radio Manufacturers Association Will Participate in Observing Radio's 25th Anniversary.

The week of November 4th to 10th has been selected to observe the twenty-fifth year of broadcasting in the United States. It is radio's own celebration, in which broadcasters, set and equipment manufacturers and all who are identified with the American system of broadcasting will tell the public of the meaning of this particular kind of broadcasting; how it came into being; its position in local and national affairs in war and peace; its importance to the individual; its contribution to the arts, to economy; and its significance in the preservation of freedom of speech which is the basis of all freedom.

It is stressed that the week of November 4 - 10 does not celebrate the

**The Fleet's In! ... Navy Day this October 27th is celebrated with more jubilance and meaning than for many years previous. This year, when ships steam into ports at New York or San Francisco, for inspection on Navy Day, the world is at peace.**

Steaming into other ports, for many weeks past, are ships which previously carried men and supplies into combat. But now, down their gangplanks, walk thousands of soldiers, sailors and

marines—returning home! These men have finished their job—and theirs is the honor and the glory. The hardships they endured, their sacrifices in the cause of liberty, call for our everlasting gratitude.

#### LET US FINISH THE JOB

The returning seaman, sailor and marine has finished his job—ours is not yet done. We must see that *all* the boys get home; that the wounded have adequate medical care; that the GI gets a job and becomes acclimated to civilian life.

A stake in the future and reorientation of each service man is \$300 or a total of \$2,000,000,000.

#### VICTORY LOAN

Our treasury needs money to finish paying for the war at an estimated cost of \$300,000,000. It is therefore clear that we must finish *our* job. The government calls upon us to do our share—loan our dollars in the Victory Loan Drive which opens October 29th and closes December 31st. Invest your dollars in the last bond drive your country will ask you to make.



### RANKS TOPFLIGHT IN MASSACHUSETTS EMPLOYEE NEWSPAPER CONTEST

### President Sprague Congratulates All Reporters and Editors

At the October 17 meeting of the Massachusetts Industrial Editors Association in Boston, the Sprague Victory LOG received a certificate of excellence. The entire staff deserves great credit for its work and cooperation which contributed so much to this high honor. It is further evidence that Sprague employees have the "know how" and spirit which spell teamwork and success.

Speakers were Mr. Roy Williams, Executive Secretary of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts and Mr. Erwin D. Canham, Editor of the Christian Science Monitor. The certificate was accepted for the LOG Staff by Editor Ed Whitten who attended the meeting.

First place awards were not made, there being four general top awards. Also honored were Hedstrom News, Knight Life and Raytheon News. Over 80 publications were

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### Fall In The Berkshires

#### Colors on a Production Line

The beauty of our Fall—the time we wait for—the suspense of knowing it lasts such a short time. We take notice of its every step—try not to miss any change. It's like a production line of peace—first there's faded green, then slowly turning yellow, with orange—some red. As process goes on, colors deepen. At the end of the line they fade and fail.

When all else is deep in slumber, Mother Nature begins to clean her decorative hills. She sprinkles a morning mist. When you first notice the dawn, the sun is playing with her work. The mist dances before your eyes—like diamonds here and there. You see one sleepy spot where a high hill casts its shadow—the sun tickles its edges in an attempt to awaken it.

Then comes high noon when you dash out of work. Busy as you are, you glance at the colors. You haven't time to realize what you've looked at—still you're conscious of its beauty.

Then—late afternoon—when day is done. You realize Mother Nature has worked all day too. Her arms that reach out and around you are dry and tired. She's painted you a little more color. She's deepened some, brushed off the faded ones.

The hills show their Fall styles—each chooses such perfect colors. Little shrubs nod with their artistic touch usually a bright red, so you will know they are around. A few leaves fall—  
(Continued in Brown Street News.)

#### OLD GLORY OVER JAPAN

Atsugi Field  
Tokyo, Japan  
Sept. 24, 1945

Hello everybody:

It's been quite a time since I wrote last, and I've done quite a bit of traveling. Just now I want to give my new address and thank everyone at Sprague Electric for the wonderful job they have done.

At the present time, I am stationed about 25 miles from Tokyo, or rather, what is left of Tokyo. Our B-29's did a very good job. I've talked with many Japanese and they didn't mind the planes so much but really hate the B-29's. Yokohama is also pretty well destroyed.

Here at this field are a lot of Jap planes,—what is left of them. About everyone is bombed, shot up, or cracked up.

The most beautiful sight I've seen yet and believe it's the grandest I'll ever see, was "Old Glory" flying high over this Japanese land. It's a wonderful feeling to know we are under its great protection.

I receive the Log quite regularly and it is a great paper and I enjoy it. It is nice to know what is going on around the shop. I hope it won't be too long until we are all back home again. It certainly will be nice to see the United States again, especially North Adams.

Must close now and do some work,  
Your pal,  
Victor Boucher

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*"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."*

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## LOG STAFF HONORED

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entered, and there were separate awards for magazines and for publications going to suppliers, customers and others.

Mr. Williams said: "You have done a grand wartime job. You can do a grand job in peacetime." Monitor Editor Canham emphasized extreme candor and clear statement. "But above all," said Mr. Canham, "we must promote the preservation of the peace. Not one of us fully realizes that nothing will ever be the same again since A-Bomb No. 1 was dropped."

On receipt of the award, President R. C. Sprague sent a letter to the Editor of the LOG in which he said: "I wish to express to the entire LOG Staff my heartiest congratulations for the fine performance which has merited this recognition."

## "THOUGHTS"

I stood beside the "Honor Roll" one sunny Autumn day,  
A sailor too stood looking, not many feet away,  
His eyes moved slowly, as down the line he read  
The names of some old pals of his, who now—"For Peace"—are Dead:  
I saw the tears roll down his face as he swallowed the lump in his throat,  
There's Johnnie's name, his dearest friend, each other they used to coach.  
He died aboard another ship—"Under Fire"—he was told,  
He died, as did others, just one amongst the fold.  
There's Bill, he was just a kid, so tall and awfully strong,  
He used to go 'round hummin' some old familiar song—  
How well he can remember as he closed his eyes to dream,  
Of the football games in September, for they played on the self same team.  
He squinted twice at Tommy's name, as if an error to seek,  
One standing by, such as I, might think his eyes were weak.  
But reminiscing of this friend; it was hard for him to believe.  
Not long ago, they had such fun, while both were home "On Leave".  
This sailor lad just shook his head and bowed it as he turned,  
And down the street he shuffled along, 'cause for his pals he yearned,  
A deep sigh was the parting refrain as he mingled with the crowd.  
It seemed to ring like nothing else from the earth up to the clouds.  
This Autumn day turned out to be a heart-felt lesson true,  
It will never happen again, dear sailor, we pledge it by your Blue  
This war has got to teach all men that we can surely abide  
In one world—"Peacefully"—until the day we're "Tried."

"Jess" Vallieres



## 551 Sprague Employees in Service



## 18 Sprague Men Made the Supreme Sacrifice



## 60 Veterans Now Working at Sprague's

## News of Service Men and Women

### Receives Medal

Cpl. Janet Gregalis, formerly of the Beaver Payroll Department, and now stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga., has been given the Good Conduct medal and awarded a gold star for her work in the Personnel Offices at the camp, where she is engaged in the duties of helping to muster out the boys. She states that there is a great personal satisfaction in helping to figure out the points necessary for an honorable discharge for the servicemen.



Pvt. Lionel Richard, formerly of the Dry Test Department, is now in the Pacific area.

### For the G.I.'s Date Book

September 9, 1945

Dear Friends:

Just a few lines to say hello and send my change of address. I've been receiving the Log regularly and along with a few of the other fellows who are with me we've been enjoying it very much.

Here is something that might interest you. It's what's on most all companies' bulletin boards around this area.

Dec. 7, 1941—Pearl Harbor  
Nov. 8, 1942—African Invasion  
May 8, 1943—Fall of Africa  
July 15, 1943—Invasion of Sicily  
Nov. 8, 1943—Rest in England  
June 6, 1944—Invasion of Normandy  
Nov. 11, 1944—German Break Through  
March 9, 1945—Rhine Bridgehead  
May 9, 1945—VE Day  
May 12, 1945—Points Scored  
Aug. 7, 1945—Atomic Bomb  
Sept. 3, 1945—VJ Day  
? ? ? —Home

Question mark to be filled in when you get there.

I would like to say hello to all the old gang and thanks for a swell job well done. Closing with best wishes to all,

George McDonald

Sgt. Warren Pruyne, formerly of the Shipping Department, is home on a 45 day furlough after 19 months in Italy. Sgt. and Mrs. Pruyne have just returned from visiting relatives in Detroit, Mich., and while there attended the World Series baseball games.

### Saw Ghost Volcano

U. S. S. Straub  
Hawaii

Dear Friends:

I am writing this to inform you of my change of address. We have been in this area, Hawaii, for some two months, and since V-J day my life aboard ship has calmed down to a slow walk. We are a training ship now.

Last week, about twenty-five members of the crew and myself were taken for a rest and recreation trip to the top of Mt. Mamalon, the highest volcano in the Hawaiian Islands. It is 14,000 feet to the top, has nine craters, the largest of which last erupted in 1941. It is expected to erupt again (according to the guide's story) any day now. I admire the nerve of these people—they have a large inn built on the edge of one of the craters. The name given to this little fellow is Kaha Iki, meaning "Little Crater". Even though its last eruption was in the eighteen hundreds the principle of an inn being on the edge of a volcano remains.

I expect to be home either in late November or early December, if the points are lowered by then. Another change in my address will probably be effective by that time.

Regards to all and I would like to say a sincere "Thank You" to the Sprague Company and everyone for what they have done for me while I have been in service. My address now is,

J. A. Rosi, SN 2-c  
U. S. S. Straub CDE 181  
C-6 F. PO, San Francisco, California

Respectfully,  
Joseph Rosi

### With Black Hawk Division

Pvt. William G. Beliveau has arrived at Manila with the Black Hawk Infantry division according to word received by his parents. Pvt. Beliveau returned to this country from the ETO in July and after a 31 day furlough reported to Camp Gruber, Okla., after which he was sent to the Pacific coast where he embarked for the Philippines. He was formerly employed in the Block Test Department.

### Meets Home Town Boy

Honolulu, Hawaii  
October 9, 1945

Dear Friends:

Another change of address. It seems like I never do get settled.

I met Frank Bushika out here yesterday. We both have been at Barbars Pt. N.A.S., Honolulu for seven months and just met. It sure was good to meet someone from home. We had a pleasant evening just talking about home. We hope that they get us back to the States soon.

I would like to have my address put in the Log, maybe someone here may get to see it and look me up or at least write. Also thanks for the Log, I receive it steady and hope it continues to come.

Hope this brings me a few letters, Always,  
Don Roy  
Donald Paul Roy, ARM-3c  
Radio 109 CASU 2  
C-6 Fleet Post Office  
San Francisco, Cal.

## Sprague Electric Orchestra Shows Promise

An enthusiastic group of twenty-five interested musicians met at the State Teachers College, October 17th, to participate in the 2nd rehearsal of the Sprague Electric orchestra.

The Committee responsible for the organizing of this orchestra was more than pleased with the turn out as the material offered at this rehearsal was most pleasing and gratifying. Stanley Denoyan, the leader, feels confident that with the continued co-operation of this fine group an excellent orchestra is in the making.

At this time the Committee wishes to say that anyone, who is interested and would like to become a member may contact Harry Barschdorff or Stanley Denoyan.

### Thirtieth Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Rondeau were entertained at a dinner party at the Hotel Sheraton at Pittsfield, Mass., October 18th, in honor of their thirtieth wedding anniversary. They have one child, Mrs. Lucius LaCroix of Pittsfield, and one grandchild, Dianne LaCroix.

Mr. Rondeau, known to his friends here at Sprague's as "Tuffy" is the Machine Shop Superintendent, and has been an employee of the company for fifteen years. "Tuffy" is one of the old timers and has seen many changes take place, many faces come and go and is the proud possessor of many fine friends.

It is the pleasure of the Log to convey heartiest congratulations to "Tuffy" and Mrs. Rondeau from all their friends.



Picture of a newly married couple thirty years ago. Meet Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Rondeau, who posed for this picture just before leaving on their honeymoon. Not bad, "Tuffy".

### R. C. SPRAGUE ELECTED TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Oct. 25—Mr. R. C. Sprague, President of Sprague Electric Company, was elected to the Executive Committee of the Associated Industries of Massachusetts, which for years has worked for the improvement and growth of Massachusetts Industry.

### AT TRAFFIC MEETING

Jimmy Knox, of the Shipping Department presided at the October meeting of the Berkshire Traffic Association in Pittsfield. Jimmy heads the Berkshire association this year.

### Versatile Radio

#### Effective During Landing Operations of Troops

One of the most effective radios to be developed during the war, was the SCR-694, which was small in size and light in weight. Originally used as a radio receiver and transmitter for airborne troops, it was soon put to use by other branches of the service. The receiver and transmitter units are both contained in one small case weighing but 20 pounds. With panel cover in place, this case forms a waterproof unit.

### Sprague Women Knit For Lovell Convalescents

Sprague employees have never ceased to be interested in the reconditioning work at Lovell General Hospital. They contribute whatever and whenever the need arises. To augment the furnishing of the recreation room at Lovell by Sprague employees, was a gift of a vacuum cleaner.

Now Sprague women are knitting for special needs of soldiers hospitalized

at Lovell. Last Sunday, Etta Owen drove to Lovell to deliver thirty-two knitted pads, used on crutches. More are in the process of being knitted.

At the moment, an urgent request comes from Lovell for other knitted articles. If you are interested in knitting for soldiers—and who isn't—you will enjoy making these articles. Call at the Dispensary or the Log desk for instructions.

**Marshall News****Retail Sales Dept.**

By Iodine

Marion Taft became the bride of James Rondeau, October 6th. Mrs. Rondeau made a beautiful bride. Her co-workers attended the reception. All had a wonderful time.

Marion was honored at a shower held at Sunnyside, August 23rd. She was presented a sewing cabinet by her co-workers. By the way, Marion, do you still walk Jim to work?

We welcome a newcomer in our department, Rosalie Potvin. We all wish you luck, Rose, and hope you enjoy working with us.

Who are the girls who keep us all on the go? Rita Zanett, Teresa Catrambone, and Doris Burdick. What are you wearing tonight, your canary yellow or moss green.

Doris Patenaude tells me she knitted three sweaters in a week. I hear they look swell. I didn't see them all, Doris. Your red one is cute and warm. How about letting us see the others?

**Favorite sayings:**

Alice Malloy—*Wish I knew what to have for supper.*

Marion Rondeau—*Gee, I'm hungry.*

Doris Patenaude—*Guess I'll start another sweater.*

Jennie Burt—*Isn't it amazing?*

Rosalie Potvin—*I've been having nightmares.*

Mary Daniels—*My dog, Duke.*

Homer Brosseau—*Women are all alike.*

The Boss—*One never knows.*

Alice Malloy celebrated her birthday recently. Her co-workers presented her with a gift and a birthday cake. Many happy returns, Alice, from the gang.

**Prokar Dept.**

By Minnie Dextradeur

Belated Birthday Greetings to Francis Royal and Leda King of Prokar Dept.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brooks, who celebrated their 17th wedding anniversary on October 17.

Farewell to our Navy Inspector "Kit" Ravizza who was with us for over a year.

Farewell to Barbara Williams, Check Inspector who has been transferred to the Brown Street Plant.

Hello to Rita Fountain our Check Inspector, who has come back with us from Beaver Street Plant.

Vacations taken in the Month of October: Roland Roberts, Larry Scott, Anna LeMay, Rudy Cross and Yours truly.

Bessie Blake is still confined to the Ellis Hospital in Schenectady, N. Y., we all wish you a speedy recovery and hope you will be back with us soon.

If you want to know anything about radio ask Mary Kelly.

There is more than one shoe store in town, Thelma Burdick.

Whom does Jessie Brooks call Buttercup?

So long Gang, until the next edition,

**SPORTS . . . . . By Carpenter and Russell****NORTH ADAMS BASEBALL CLUB BANQUET**

Members of the North Adams Baseball Club, their wives and invited guests attended a banquet held at the Clarksburg Sportsman's Club, Tuesday night, October 16th. Guests of honor were, Coach Johnny DeNegro, "Babe" Demers, Neil Van Steenburg, Johnny Bigelow and "Buster" Bullett.

The event was a huge success and all who attended would like to see it become an annual affair.

Manager Johnny McConnell served as toastmaster in his usual capable manner. He paid tribute to the wives who gave up their Sundays and nights for the ball team this past season, extending thanks to the fans who made this season a successful one by their loyal support. The ball players he highly commended for their splendid team work, which brought a winning season for North Adams with their record of 19 games won, 5 lost and 1 tie.

Kaiser Bergandahl, Ralph Macon and Norman Sedgewick were called upon for a few remarks in behalf of the ball players, representing North Adams, Williamstown and Adams. At this time Kaiser Bergandahl presented manager McConnell with a gift

from the ball players and complimented him for the excellent job he did this past season.

Mr. Toastmaster pulled the prize blunder of the evening when he called upon "yours truly" to say a few words. I was flabbergasted as I was certainly taken unawares, but the knock out blow was when he presented me with a gift for my assistance to him and when Kaiser Bergandahl presented me a purse from the players expressing their appreciation, I was ready to hit the floor. Believe me folks, I could not express my feelings then in words and cannot seem to do so in writing, but with the permission of the Log I want to say thank you to the players and Johnny for the thoughtful gesture. A finer group of sports would be hard to find anywhere and it will not only be a pleasure but an honor to work with them another season.

Following the banquet a moving picture of the 1945 Sugar Bowl football game was shown which was thoroughly enjoyed from the beginning to the end. The evening was well rounded out with dancing and group singing and a swell season closed with a swell party. By "Walt" Carpenter



"Ray" Bergeron, who has received his discharge from the Marines is all set to conquer new territories, as a player for Sunnyside Basketball team. He is the brother of "Al" of the P.A.A. Department, and of Rita Slade of the Engineering Specs Department.

**BERKSHIRE REPRESENTATIVES OF BIG-TIME LEAGUES**

Well baseball fans, the World Series of 1945 is all packed away for the winter, and although the Detroit Tigers and Chicago Cubs representing their respective leagues were not of the high calibre of previous teams, the series went a full seven games and there were plenty of records broken and thrills for all the fans.

While conversing with an old-time ball player the Saturday before the series was over, here are a few names who represented the Berkshire County in Professional baseball in days gone by.

Attention Old Timers! Do you remember when: Jack McBride of Adams Pitched for the Browns... "Pat" Keefe of Williamstown, was Outfielder for the Braves... "Ed" Curtis of North Adams was Outfielder for the Reds... "Art" Madison of North Adams, was 3rd Baseman for the Pirates... "Cy" and "Jack" Ferry of Pittsfield, formerly of Cheshire, played in the American League... "Happy Jack" Chesbro of North Adams, Pitcher, who started his baseball career with the Johnstown, N. Y. team then went to Richmond, Virginia. From 1899 to 1903 he was with the Pittsburg Pirates, 1904 to 1909 with the New York Highlanders, who are known to-day as the New York Yankees.

"Happy Jack" Chesbro after his retirement from the American League coached baseball at Harvard. He made several trips to Cooperstown, N. Y. where the immortal baseball heroes are

remembered and where he took part in benefit exhibition games for the memorial.

These men are a monument to North Adams and other towns and cities in this county. We should be proud of their part in the great American pastime, baseball.

An outstanding record to meet fellows, but this generation certainly displayed signs that many have what it takes to make the grade. Here's hoping we will be able to send more players into the Big Leagues again.

**College Football**

College Football has been hitting the headlines of the Sunday papers these past two weeks and as we see it from here the top teams of the various sections of the country are as follows:—In the East ranking first, is the powerful Army eleven. Just behind are the Navy boys from Annapolis. This outfit is very strong as late scores have indicated, but they do not seem to have quite the all-around top strength that the Army Mule packs. Before these two clubs collide, a lot can happen so don't think we sell the Navy short. Penn. University is undefeated at this writing; Holy Cross is undefeated and has a fine ball club this year. Columbia University, after being trampled on the past 3 years, is finally on the winning trail. Temple is another undefeated outfit.

**Smiles . . . . .**

"As I understand the case," said his honor the judge, "you and your husband had an argument and you were kicked in the ensuing rumpus."

"No sah, Jedge," replied Mandy. "Ah was kicked in de stummick."

Sam had fallen again, and his pastor was upbraiding him for it. "How come, Sam," he queried, "you-all don't say, 'Git behin' me Satan?'"

"Ah does say dat, pastor. I says dem very words, Den Satan he says, "All right, Sam, I'll get behin'. Since we bofe goin' de same way hit mek no diff'rence wid me who take de lead."

Marriage is the process of finding out what kind of a man your wife would have preferred.

An engineer for the company, having concluded his business in a southern town, was impatiently waiting outside a hotel for a taxi to rush him to his train. He had almost abandoned hope when one finally crawled up.

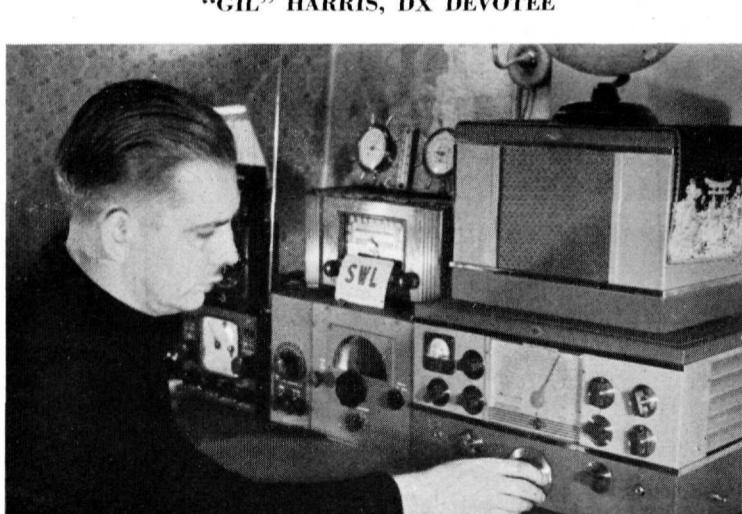
As the cab set out for the station, the harried traveler asked, "What happens in this town when a person wants to get some place in a hurry?" Replied the unperturbed cabbie, "Ah reckon he would just aggravate himself."

—Edward J. Pechin

**Positive Accentuated**

There is nothing strange in the fact that the modern girl is a live wire. She carries, practically no insulation.

Don't claim you have an open mind—it may be only vacant.



One of many Sprague men who go in for "Ham Radio" in a big way, "Gil" Harris of Ovens has contacted over 3000 DX stations in the U.S. and foreign countries.

Ken Russell

# Meet Our Returned War Veterans . . .

**Louis E. Vinclette** has returned to work in the Industrial Oils department, from which he left to enter training in the Army Air Forces Technical Training Command. He served five months with the rank of private.

**Claude A. Vinclette**, now with the P.A.A. Department, has seen six years and nine months of service with the Infantry's Third Division. He holds five bronze stars for the invasions of Africa, Tunisia, Sicily, Salerno and Rome. He holds the Good Conduct Medal and the Infantryman's badge. He received his discharge in July with 111 points.

**Harold Chilson** has returned to his old department in the Carpenter Shop of Maintenance after serving three years and four months overseas. He was a Corporal with the 235th Truck Battalion of the Fifth Army. He wore six battle stars and had 100 points at the time of his honorable discharge.

**Albert Vareschi**, who served in the 519th Ordnance 3rd Army, Automotive, for nine months, has joined the ranks of the Sprague Electric and is employed in the P.A.A. Department, Brown Street. At the time of his discharge, Al was a Private First Class.

**Harry Arbour**, formerly was employed in the Block Test Department before entering Service. He served one and one-half years in the Head Quarters DET from which he received his discharge. At present, he is employed in the P.A.A. Department, Brown Street.

**Alfred Despault**, an employee of the Machine Shop at the Brown Street Plant is a veteran who served four years and seven months, ten of which were in the European Theater. Serving with the 104th Infantry, 26th Division, he has received three medals, the Good Conduct, Purple Heart and Cluster. At the time of his discharge he held the rank of Technical Sergeant.

## Marriage

**Balsarini - Baruzzi**: Miss Sylvia Baruzzi, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Baruzzi, and Mr. Leo Balsarini, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Balsarini were married October 15 at St. Anthony's Church. Sylvia is employed in the P.A.A. Department.



Miss Josephine Pisano of the Boxing Department has announced her engagement to Mr. Clayton Collins of the Beaver Street Laboratory. The wedding is scheduled for the near future.

Miss Estella Wilson of the Impregnating Department announces her approaching marriage to Mr. Eugene Kemp of Williamstown.

The engagement of Miss Rose Giacco to Mr. Edward Lisee of Adams, has been announced. Miss Giacco is a member of the Brown Street Sample laboratory, and Mr. Lisee was recently discharged from service after four years of duty. The wedding will take place November 10th.

The engagement of Eleanor Falco to Pvt. 1-c Edward W. Brooks has been announced. Eleanor is employed in the P.A.A. Department, Brown Street.

## FORMER SERVICEMEN IN OFFICE AND LABORATORIES



**Front: Armand Trottier of Factory Engineering, Joseph Gardzina of the Sample Laboratory, Robert Bligh of the Engineering Laboratory at Brown Street. Back: Arthur Bacon of Time Study Dept., Horst Reiprich of the Networks Laboratory, Ernest Mason of the Engineering Specification Department, and Peter Abuisi of the Brown Street Sample Department. The total time of service as represented by these seven men is twenty-two years and one month!**

## VETERANS FROM BROWN STREET DEPARTMENTS



**A number of returned servicemen with us from Brown Street Plant include: (front) Louis Vinclette and Walter Moderski of Industrial Oils Dept., Arthur Langlois of the Impregnating Dept. (back) Claude Vinclette of P.A.A. line, Herbert Elsner of "Vitamin Q" and Ralph Woodside of the Impregnating Department.**



**SON**—Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bullet are the parents of a baby boy born Monday, October 22, 1945. The mother, is the former Lorraine Pinsonnault of the Block Test Department and dad is employed in the Factory Engineering Department.

## Check Inspection

By Linda Brown

Eleanor and Harold Tourjee spent a very enjoyable week end in New York City.

Ethel Brown is all smiles again, she finally received that long awaited letter from her husband, who is somewhere in the Pacific.

Rita Pedrin's brother, Corp. John Fortini, is home from overseas after 22 months in the ETO.

"Chuck" Blouin is quite the happy one, too, his brother Walt is home after serving several months in the Pacific waters with the U. S. Navy.

Then again we have Beatrice Pierce, her brother Ronald Roy is also home from overseas.

Oh hum! Everybody seems to be so happy these days even "yours truly." And why shouldn't I be, after receiving a cablegram saying, Capt. Brown would be home very soon. Yes, Capt. "Wally" Brown is the one and only. It's a great world, isn't it folks?

## Formation and Centrifuge

By J. Shea

Now that Harry Lanoue owns a farm in Vermont, he has promised to supply milk for the night shift.

"Mike" Costal claims that "Bish" Goyette tried to poison his cat, "Kiddo" by giving him a bite of a sandwich out of his lunch.

"Al" Zepka is building a porch on his house. Everybody is hoping he will finish it soon, because it has spoiled his disposition. "Al" has the record in this department as not having been late or absent in a year.

"Mike" Costal would like to find an ear trumpet for his dog "Snooks". The dog is fifteen years old.

"Junior", Valmore Pinsonnault has refused several good offers for his car but if anyone had come around one of these chilly mornings he could have bought it "very cheap."

The latest subject on the night shift Forum was, "Can you raise cranberries in Vermont?"

"Iri" Harrington bought a piano but unfortunately he didn't get a stool. He says you got to be quite a piano player to play standing up.

The department is fortunate in having the best rabbit hound in North Adams, owned by "Joe" Pevoski and trained by Adam Pevoski, a well known rabbit hunter. The first catch of the season has already been scored. The department should account for a number of rabbits this season.

## Boxing

By Connie, Lucy and Rose

Welcome to our department, Esther Estes, Helen Lesure, Dorothy Bellard, Dorothy Palmatier, Ruth Davis, Shirley Walker, Merida Baldasarini, Ada Blair, Flora Duquette, Irene Burke and Norma Whipple.

Welcome to Rose Cilli and Lucy DeFazio as additional department reporters for Boxing.

When anything appeals to Rose Cilli, she gushes: "Hubba, hubba."

Happy birthday, Frankie Segala — quite a cake you had.

We are glad to learn that Minnie Hanlon's son has returned to the States from overseas.

Sympathy to Elizabeth Hamilton, who recently lost her husband.

Many happy returns of the day to Emma Montagna, who celebrated her birthday on October 12th. Her co-workers helped to make the occasion a pleasant one.

Peter Wilcus, S1-c and son of Mary Conrad of this Department, has returned to a station in Boston, after serving overseas for some time. Peter will be remembered as working at one time, in the Can Shop.

Mary Roberts hasn't gotten up to the Penthouse yet—but she is still hoping!

Mabel Benoit is very jolly — she is expecting her husband home from service.

## WE HEAR THAT . . .

Tech. 5th Grade Clifford P. King, formerly of the Boxing Department was serving as a teletype radio operator in Tokyo on the day the Japanese surrendered, according to a message received here recently. Clifford has been in the Pacific theater since September, 1945. He served in the Philippines, the Solomons and New Guinea, and was relieved of combat duty after being wounded at Luzon.

## Paper Rolling

By Hubba, Hubba

The engagement of Dorothy Lorraine Chalifoux to Corp. Rowell McHatton of Mapleton, Maine, has been announced by her parents.

Eleanor Jennie Falco's engagement to Pfc. Edward W. Brooks has also been announced. Both girls were former workers in this department. Good luck "Dottie" and "El".

The engagement has been announced of Lorraine Trombley and Tommy Slater, S1-c. The wedding is to take place in the near future.

Thomas Cardinal, CM1-c, husband of Rita, is home having received an honorable discharge from the U.S.N. in which he served three years. Here's loads of happiness to you both, Rita.

"Lil" Franchini's husband, "Babe" Franchini, is home on leave after serving a year in an overseas unit. "It's Been a Long, Long Time", Lil.

"Vi" Dupuis's husband, Joe, has been enjoying a well-deserved furlough after serving overseas.

I wonder why it is when a man passes through this department you hear a sudden cry A-o-o-o-o-h?

Francis Brassard, our former machinist, has left us. We sure do miss you, "Fran".

Welcome back, Jeannette Adams. It sure is good to see you around again.

"Vi" Scott spent the week end recently in Albany...Harold Caron spent a week end recently in Boston and Lorraine Trombley spent a few days in Maine.

Ronnie Lepecier, Merchant Marine, was a recent visitor in the department. What a day that was for the Wolverines. What a reception, Ronnie.

## Machine Shop

By C. Remillard and J. Walsh

The welcome back mat was out to greet "Bob" Cutler, who has become a member of this family; "Bob" was recently discharged from the Army after serving four years. The fair sex might be interested in the news that he is still single and over 21. Take it easy, girls!

We all agree a short nap during one's lunch hour is certainly refreshing and may we say stimulating. Frank Petri swears by his noon nap and attributes his untiring energy and smiling countenance to it. There is only one thing, it has been said that sometimes one oversleeps. Sure is embarrassing, eh Frank?

Did I hear someone ask what was the matter with Harry Cassidy, Frank Petri, "Barney" Lindquist, "Herb" Surr, Tommy Francis and Harry Trombley? They seem to have a bad case of the "jitters". They drop things, turn pale at the sound of a bell, quake when the telephone rings. Sure, why wouldn't they, when all are expecting news any moment telling them their sons are on their way home. Yep, they are expected home for Christmas!

Have you ever had the experience of seeing a person's face light up with smiles upon receiving a letter from someone dear? If not, you do not know what you have missed. The fellows in this department have had that pleasure as they have watched "Barney" Lindquist read letters from his son, who is a Lieutenant in the Marine Corps. You are proud of him "Barney" and we feel proud with you. Congratulations to your son, "Barney", on the citation he and his gun crew received from Admiral Halsey for the record number of planes shot down off Formosa Island. Lt. Lindquist is stationed on the U.S.S. San Jacinto.

## Anniversaries

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bertrand Peters on their 21st wedding anniversary which was celebrated October 11th.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Morocco, who celebrated their 5th wedding anniversary October 19th.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Tuffy Rondeau, who celebrated their thirtieth Wedding Anniversary.

And a big hand to Mr. and Mrs. Schuyler Dean who celebrated their 38th anniversary.

FLASH! ! ! "Barney" Lindquist has his head in the clouds. That's right folks, his son has come home. Happy days are here again.

Well, well—Hughie MacDonald has finally joined the soup eating club. Tough chewing on vegetable soup, isn't it, Mac?

Sympathy is extended to "Puffle" Magnoli on the recent loss of his prize porker. We understand that the little fellow died from either pneumonia or a broken heart.



**Jean McLagan, S2-c, stationed in Florida. She formerly worked in the B.T.A. Dept.**

**Maintenance****By Umbrigo**

We enjoyed a surprise visit from Wm. Duverney, formerly of the U. S. Army. Bill was wounded in Germany and has received his medical discharge. He hopes to be back with the old gang very soon.

It seems that the Maintenance gang has a mascot which is known as RED DOG. All seem to enjoy his company—except Maurice Chonard, who got NIPPED.

We welcome Bernard Lepera to the Electric gang and hope you enjoy working with us.

Anyone wishing a fast ride in a truck, get in touch with "Bus" Sherman and "Stubby" Caron of the Carpenter gang.

**BOWLING MATCHES**

Maintenance has started its bowling season. The first match was between two teams picked from the gang. One team is known as the *Suckers*, the other, the *Mob*. The Mob won by a margin of 92 pins. "Stubby" Caron did a good job for the losers, rolling 313. He said he had one consolation—he beat his superior officer, Lt. Bob Godfrey who was on the winning team.

For the winners, Andrew Girenti turned in a score of 317. For a while, it looked as though we had another "Bus" Sherman on the team—but Godfrey came through with a higher score.

A challenge has been received from the Machine Shop to bowl the Maintenance. This challenge was readily accepted.

It seems that "Maintenance Alley" has become "Lover's Lane." Who is the lucky girl, Bernard?

Mr. Albert Barriere of the Carpenter gang spent a few days in Eberville, Canada, attending the wedding of his niece. We are told that Al is to bring the Newlyweds back to North Adams for their honeymoon. Why not let them come back alone, Al?

**ROMEO -- WHERE ART THOU?**

Two "Julietts" -- Joe Schneider and Gene Pyke of Maintenance, give an imitation of the balcony scene.

**Production Scheduling****By "E" & "F"**

Mrs. Eunice Swartz was feted at a party recently by her co-workers at the Hub Restaurant. A delicious supper was enjoyed and Eunice was presented several lovely gifts. Eunice was married to Corp. Leslie Swartz on August 23rd.

A speedy recovery is wished to Ruth Harris who was operated upon recently, and to Alice Swartz who is out ill.

Alice Gonneau has returned from a week's vacation spent in Vermont, "just resting." We understand she took along a number of good books. Nothing like a good book for company, Al. We hope this little trip gave you the rest and change you so needed.

**Dry Test****By Betty, Loretta and Vi**

Helen Pietras, Lil Colo, and Betty Bogus spent an enjoyable week end at the Jamaica race track in New York. We are all happy for "Ma" Rivard, for her son has arrived safely in New York after spending two years overseas.

Why do people always say: "I'm hungry" when "Pat" Vitro is around?

Welcome to the Dry Test Department, Rosetta Pruyne. We hope you will enjoy working with us.

Everyone is wondering when we will hear those wedding bells, Marguerite Miller.

**Double Celebration**

When the Andersons celebrated their 28th Wedding Anniversary, recently, they went to Boston. It was a double celebration for Margaret, because she also welcomed her brother "Bill" home, after he had been in service for three years overseas.

Looking for a cheap haircut? Just see Jennie Melito of the A.C. line. How about it, Jim Dickie?

Lena Vicari's future address is sure to be Alcatraz...Ask Lena about it.

Helen Mancuso was escorted by a handsome naval officer over the week end. Let us in on his identity, Helen.

Why is the AC line known as the "crocodile tear" line? Just ask Lou Siciliano.

**Homeward Bound**

Norman Remillard decided a few nights ago to venture a trip to Cohoes, N. Y. in a car he purchased recently. En route back to North Adams he became lost and finally found himself in Hoosick Falls. Oh well, it was just a case of driving from Hoosick Falls to North Adams. After driving about 185 miles Norm decided the territory seemed unfamiliar. He was desperate about this time, and drove back to the Falls and purchased a road map.

While trying to figure the route to North Adams who should appear but "Bill" Mahoney, who came to Norm's rescue. Thus, Norm arrived safely in North Adams, with the aid of the expert, who has traveled the road on several occasions.

Have you seen the new car John Pierce is sporting around in these days? "Red" Lewitt, we are happy to hear that both daughter and son have returned from the hospital and are on the road to recovery.

Finally, Shaker Ferris disposed of his car. Lucky boy!

Ask Rita Johnson about the beautiful new fur coat she purchased recently.

That sweater really is sensational, Gregory Alcaro, that Blanche Boisvert knitted for you.

We understand John Fortini arrived in the States a few days ago. We are all waiting to see Johnny.

**Plating****By Lucile Little**

What is the reason for Ben Martin's cheery smile every morning? Could it be due to the fact he has plenty of gas to drive his car to work?

Now the war is over "Nick" Sanzi intends to take a trip to Italy. How about taking a companion along, Nick? I've never seen Italy outside of a geography book.

There's a rumor around that Ed Shstrand is raising goats. Well, Ed!

Howie Isherwood is having worries trying to remember department charge numbers. I'll bet it's a lot easier to remember that hunting season is open.

"Ness" Robert certainly enjoys reading the newspapers during noon hour. Is there any special reason why you study them, "Ness"?

"Art" Roy is the model student of the department. Let it be known that "Art" has reformed.

"Jim" Dolan has decided to stop at all STOP signs from now on. The last one he forgot to stop for cost him money.

**Block Test****By "Micky" Koczela**

Your Log reporter, Barbara King, is out on leave of absence while her husband, "Vince", is home on a 45 day furlough, and "Yours truly" is taking over for a while.

Ruth Arrighini is a very happy girl these days. Hubby, "Red", is home with a discharge from the Navy.

We welcome the Tubular Assembly girls to our Department. We hope you enjoy your stay in our room.

Congratulations to Pauline Jandran, a former employee. She was married October 22nd to Cpl. Henry LaBonte. "Hank" is also a former employee of the Block Test.

**Perfect Attendance Record for September**

The following members of our Department had perfect attendance for September, without being late or absent. We are always proud of this record, but let's make it better next month!

Donald Hurlbert, Florence Lincoln, Frances Solar, Dolores Bailey, Henry Meczywir, Harry Embry, Bertha Jennings, Helen Harrington, Anna Massari, Elizabeth Kenny, Doris Williams, Elizabeth Fleury, Lucille Beaury, Nellie Jepson, Mary Zito, Rena Soulier and Bernadette Bordwin.

**Little Man You've Had A Busy Day**

Irving Harrington, Jr. Mother is Helen of Hen Oil and dad is Irving of Dry Formation.

**Sample News****By the "Shadow"****"PIZZA PARTY"**

All the groaning that was recently heard throughout our little department was the result of a very enjoyable "Pizza Party", held at "Troia's Retreat." Mary Troia's mother graciously did all the cooking (we didn't trust our own) and a swell job she did too.

An amateur program was held after supper with Nini Sacco and Rose Giacco winning top honors with their jitterbug exhibitions, while "Gerrie" Reeves and "Tete" Montagna almost knocked themselves out by their clumsy acrobatics.

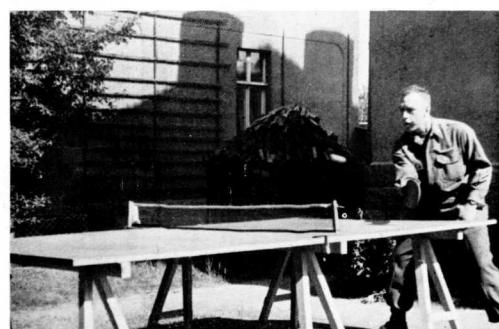
After a night cap of coffee, we wended our way homeward filled with good food and good cheer.

Helen Karpaska has left us to start training for Cadet Nursing. Sorry to see you go, Helen. The department wishes you the best of luck.

Wedding bells will soon be ringing for Rose Giacco. Her heart throb has been discharged from the Navy. Loads of luck to the both of you.

The department extends its deepest sympathy to Frank Gregalis of the Brown Street Sample Lab on the loss of his father.

It does not matter much who gets the credit. Just so the job is done.

**Learning How To Play Again Is Also A Business**

Laliberte concentrates on a game of Ping-Pong somewhere in Germany.

**Tubular Assembly****By Gertrude Hall**

Well, here we are reporting from a new room by a new reporter. We have joined a swell bunch of girls in the Block Test and have acquired a new boss who we think is pretty swell.

Ah, me! Romance is blooming around here. Clara Domenick has become engaged to Raymond Marceau and the wedding is to take place November 17. Sincere wishes for their happiness.

What's this? I hear about people taking bets on who will be next? Lizzie Catrombone, Eleanor Falco or Vera Timothy... Looks close girls.

I'd like to take this time to tell all the girls who have been transferred to Brown Street just how much we miss everyone of you. We also hope the girls down there enjoy working with you as much as we did.

Leon DeGraff has also gone to Brown Street but we see more of him now than we did when we worked here.

Poor Frank Manns! All he hears is "oil leaks" all day long. Bet he wishes he never saw a kick press.

Maud Waska has been quite busy lately. First it was the baseball pool and now it's the Chest Drive. Poor Maud, people are beginning to hide their pocketbooks when they see her coming.

Have you heard Frances Gayda laugh? Boy, are you missing something!

The girls said farewell to Wally Young at a luncheon party at Florin's recently. Wally was presented a purse of money which was very cleverly wrapped by Clara Domenick and Leon DeGraff.

Why does Jean Nichols blush so, when a certain someone comes into our room? It's very becoming, Jean.

Jack Benny has his violin, Bing Crosby his horses, but we've got Jack Sullivan. Did anyone ever see such a busy man? When he helps the girls, you'd think he was on bonus. He sure affords Kay Marra and Irene Serventi no end of amusement.

Gosh, the stove solderers are so far away from the rest of us, we don't just know what's cooking out there.

Eleanor Macksey, we miss your harmonizing with Teddy.

**CLARA DOMENICK FETED**

The girls held a surprise pre-nuptial party in honor of Clara at the Armstrong Inn, September 11. Everyone had a grand time and enjoyed a delicious dinner. The Guest of Honor was presented a dinner set and a purse of money, which caused her to shed a few nervous tears. Alice Swartz was right on the ball with timely advice for the bride to be, (hope she didn't take her seriously.) Grace McConnell who, by the way, worked very hard with Don Blanchard and Mary Rogge to make this party a success, did a very graceful jitterbug with Vera Timothy. Mary Palmer showed us how a waltz should be danced.

**Engineering Specs****By Hazel Goodale**

HEADLINE: Member of Engineering Dept. in Life Magazine

What's the excitement, folks? — What is everyone looking at? — Bob Garner? — Page 57 and 58 — Player No. 9 in Life... Yes sir, that sure is Bob!... Has someone a magnifying glass? Thanks!... It's a very clear now!

Ask Dotty Mancuso if she has seen any mice in the files lately. Emma Underwood will be glad to shoo them away for her.

Verna Lamore is very happy these days for two or three reasons. We congratulate her on her recent advancement to specifications, and on the good news that her brother Bob is on his way home from California.

We extend a welcome to Verna Mirke. Verna is Rita Slade's new assistant and comes from Springfield where she was medical secretary in a doctor's office.

Phyllis Olson is enjoying a vacation at home, and Hazel Goodale has returned after spending part of hers at home, and the rest, in Springfield.

**PREVENTABLE FIRE HAZARDS**

Of all Industrial Fire Causes the following common hazards are among the principal contributing offenders in the average plant. The greatest benefit can be obtained by first striking at these basic causes.

Faulty Electrical Equipment (due principally to misuse and abuse) ... Do not overload or overuse circuits... Avoid temporary wiring.

Ignition from Hot Surfaces... Maintain ample clearance to steam coils, heaters, ovens, boilers, stacks and flues.

Reckless Smoking and Use of Matches... Smoke in smoking areas only... Use safety matches... Do your part to see that "No Smoking" rules are observed... Make sure your discarded cigarette or match is out and deposited in receptacle for such.

Flashes and Sparks from Welding and Open Flames... Do not weld when fire protection is impaired... before welding or cutting, move or protect nearby combustibles... Place guards around welding area.

Spontaneous Heating... Clean thoroughly (daily where necessary) the interior of spray booths, dip tanks, drain boards, interior of dryers, stacks, etc., of residues likely to heat spontaneously... Remove all dirty and oil-soaked waste... Protect from moisture all chemicals that heat on contact with water.

**New Ideas For Your Wardrobe**

**Two Smart Styles for Sweaters**

**MAKE THEM YOURSELF**

**Smart bag and Sweaters which nimble fingers can make in a jiffy. Ask for directions at the Beaver Street Dispensary.**

**Fall In Berkshires**

(Continued from first page.)

you desire to pick them up—place them back. At this time you admire the smallest of knolls, they too, spread their glory.

Comes evening—Mother Nature puts on her gown—as shadows fall. The moon comes out—plays with that gown. You sit dreaming as you watch him, bringing out her colors. A little sparkle of yellow seems still wide awake. A little flicker of red—way over the mountains side—making your dreams seem brighter. You realize then, what beauty has been showered upon you—the contentment God wants you to find in this time of year.

—by Helen Jobin

**Mica Molding and Impregnation**

By Jess Vallieres

Tommy Slater visited this department on his first furlough since "Boot Training". He couldn't get over the change and had quite a time locating the "old gang." By the way, Tommy's hair has been bleached by the sun from a "strawberry blond" to a "golden boy." Tommy spent nine months on a So. Pacific Island.

Many people have been asking the whereabouts of folks previously employed in the Impregnating. I'll try to give the latest report on that: Alma Mausert—

Paper Rolling—P.A.A. Dept.  
Helen Scarfone—

Paper Rolling—P.A.A. Dept.  
Theresa Vallieres—

Paper Rolling—P.A.A. Dept.  
Gertrude Hanlon—Mica  
Jeanette Ameen—Mica  
Walter Gerry—P.A.A.

Cookie Blay—Beaver Street  
ENGAGEMENT:

Miss Lorraine Trombley of 178 Ashland Street and Thomas R. Slater, S 1-c of U. S. Navy.

They will be married around the Christmas Holidays if Tommy gets a leave.

Pfc. Bruno C. Marchegiani returned home October 4th for an 18 day furlough, after serving three years overseas. He was in the 106th Division, 422 Infantry, under General Eisenhower's Command, and has been awarded the Good Conduct Medal. While overseas, he served in Iceland, France, England and Germany. Mr. Marchegiani is brother-in-law of Mildred, in Time Study Office.

**Paper Rolling**

By E. Rhodes

FLASH: I thought Vic Lampiasi was temperamental, but when I heard Ray Fawcett after his gears broke, I changed my mind.

Mary Messier spent last week end in Boston. (If you want a laugh, ask her about her walk through the cemetery.)

Everyday our department looks more and more like the Mica.

**ROLLING -- Second Shift**

By Frances and "Toinette"

Say, "Vickie", have you the key? That is the usual chant of the 2nd shift in the P.A.A. I wonder if Vickie is trying to catch a glimpse of that smile of beauty when she asks "Toots" for the key. And don't forget, Buckie says music on the hour. Incidentally, it's the key for the music room.

When "Flo" Doran suggests a place to go for an evening's entertainment, make sure it is not 7 years since she was last there. I dare anyone to ask her about it.

If a stray purse is found, no identification is necessary—it belongs to Bessie Mulqueen. *Will a reward be granted the next time, Bess?*

*Something to hear:* Ethel Jones's rendition of, "The Indian Love Call" and the clicking of the automatics. They go well together.

Our proud and happy Mother this week is Annie Artioli of the Soldering Dept. Her son, Guy, has been honorably discharged from the Army, and has accepted a government position in Aeronautics in Virginia. Her son, Joseph, has recently returned from Italy.

*And so, folks, before I say So-Long until next LOG-Time, I would like to pass on to you a little item I came across in a magazine. A Chinese visitor says: "Funny people, you Americans, you take a glass, put in sugar to make it sweet, and lemon to make it sour. You put in gin to warm you up, and ice to keep you cool. You say, "Here's to you"; and then you drink it yourself."*

**K. V. A.**

By A. Heath and L. Vincelette

The "Welcome Mat" is out for Vi Rand who is back with us again. Her son was home on a 45 day furlough.

Mrs. Emery looks rather sad. Her son left for North Carolina after a 45 day furlough.

WANTED—Old bones for Vic Shea's dog. Bring them big. He's a Great Dane.

Will someone please tell Dot Harvey and Ag Houghton the second line to the poem, " 'Twas The Night Before Xmas."

Bill Spencer has a new theme song. He traded "Straighten Up and Fly Right" for "I've Got Plenty of Nothing."

Many Happy Returns to Alta Oakes and Evelyn Morton, who celebrate their Wedding Anniversaries this month.

Louis Vincelette spent Sunday, Oct. 13th, at the Yankee Stadium in New York.

Al Giusti of the K.V.A. stock room is now bowling again. We hear he hit a great total of 234 for 3 strings. He bowls with "Umbrago" Team.

Lydia White has changed her taste from Turkey to Squab. Could Oscar be the reason?

**P. A. A. Department****Assembly and Inspection**

By Elsie Leja

A hearty welcome is extended to all new-comers on this line.

Sorry to hear about Lillian Wimpenny's accident. Here's hoping for a speedy recovery.

Pauline Les is still looking for that "certain Something" she lost.

Haven't found out how Clara Beauchamp does it, but every time she deposits a nickel in the pay station, she has two nickels returned.

Bessie Paradise seems to be rather crowded on her table.

Viola Gulino spent a pleasant week end in New York recently.

There is a group in the P.A.A. That helps to cheer you every day; Clara Beauchamp, with her smile so gay,

And Elsie Leja has her part to play Polkas, Waltzes, and Hawaiian tunes, Give her a list from which to choose. Pauline Les keeps you posted on news, She can always point out some foreign views. Irene and Jane, the ladies two, Always want to know what they can do, Each does her bit, from day to day As they work together in the P.A.A.

**Pouring -- by Jane Marianni**

Best of luck to the former Sylvia Baruzzi, who was married Oct. 15th to Leo Balsarini of Hartford, Conn.

Mary DiDonna announces her engagement to Carmen Bua. No date has been set for the wedding.

Beatrice Hill is all smiles these days. The reason, husband Ken is expecting a discharge from the Navy, soon.

Anyone interested in a menu for breakfast, ask Chick Vincelette.

Tillie Berthiaume is having quite a time backing up her car. Cheer up, Tillie, experience is the best teacher.

**Met Adm. Nimitz**

Ellen Lambert, Hospital Apprentice 3-c, stationed at Hunters College.

**Resistor Shipping**

By Evelyn Dodge

A.M.M. 3-c Walter Clark Lamphier, U. S. Naval Reserve, was presented the Gold Star and Air Medal for aerial flight and for five flights in combat, where enemy anti-aircraft fire was thickest. His mother is Louise, of this Department. She is expecting him home for 30 days leave.

Eileen Lambert's daughter, Ellen, Hospital Apprentice 3rd Class, stationed at Hunter College, had the privilege of shaking Admiral Nimitz's hand at a service center in New York, during his visit there recently. She says it was quite a thrill.

How did you like New York, Katherine Szurek? Does your neck still ache from looking up?

Ceil Shanahan, I am surprised at you. Why didn't you take in that lovely Washington Wedding? Everyone hasn't a new chapeau for every occasion.

**THE EYES AND EARS OF THE SAMPLE LAB**

If you are bored and want to be entertained, drop in and see us, we'll fix you up:

For some really sweet music, *Rita Mulqueen* will play her original composition on the piano.

Latest thing in dancing will be exhibited by *Eleanor Dudley* and *Harry Nolte*.

*Sally Sherr* will gaze into the future for you.

*Blanche Bourdon* will suggest a shopping trip, to buy pretty things.

*Mary Markland* will have lunch with you.

*Thelma Carney* and *Lesa Bormolini* will tell you about their husbands in service.

*Peter Abuisi* will whisper sweet nothings in your ear.

*Alma Finardi* and *Helen Burzimati* will sing a duet, about an apple tree, for you.

*Rita DeMarco* will just laugh and laugh for you.

*Loretta Bezzie* will tell you all about Bear Swamp.

*Dora Grant* will listen while you talk.

*Gladys Markland* will put you to work.

*Frank Gregalis* will tell you some corny jokes.

*After that, if you are still bored, there is only one thing to do, Bang; Bang.*

We all wish *Mickelena "Mary" Babcock* loads of luck on her new job. And if we know Mary she'll put her whole "heel and sole" in it.

Welcome, *Ellen Perras*, we hope you aren't too used to civilized people.

**BEHIND THE SWINGING DOORS OF P. A. A.**

By R. Morrissey and A. St. Cyr

We would like to say Welcome to all the new girls who have recently boarded the P.A.A. Special.

Mary Carleton, all you need is some Unguentine and your problem is solved.

Helena Gagnon is now taking a taxi home. We think it's all those holes she has to fill, that tires her out so.

Rose Wright would like to straighten out the matter of the promised chocolates. She says her intentions were good, but because of the room filling up so fast with new help, that it would take too much candy to accommodate all. But she hopes you'll all understand.

Mildred Dunn has the ideal method to reduce and very effective. With no physical strain you can easily lose that excess. It has something to do with wiggling your fingers and toes, but if you are interested just ask Millie, she'll be glad to furnish you with the info.

If the room seems neat and orderly, with emphasis on the floor, the credit goes to our new sweeper, Marcus Davis.

A son was born, Oct. 2, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Macomber. Mother is Dorothy, formerly of P.A.A. Grandmother Jane Williams is working here now.

**Our Safety Corner****KEEP OUT of the jaws of moving machinery**

**STOP MACHINES BEFORE ADJUSTING, CLEANING, OILING**